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HAVING A TRUCK BED

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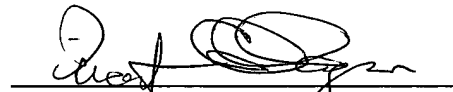
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In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the art listed and identified on the attached PTO Form 1449A is being submitted herewith for consideration by the Examiner. A copy of each of the listed references is included herewith.

It is Applicants' opinion that the claims presently on file patentably distinguish the present invention from each of these references. The above references are being cited only in the interests of candor and without any admission that they constitute statutory prior art or contain matter which anticipates the invention or which would render the same obvious, either singly or in combination, to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

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